

DEMOCRATS RALLY

Big Day in Mexico Thursday—Clark, Weaver and Reed Speak—Judge Wallace Saturday.

Scores of persons crowded around the speaker's platform to shake hands with Senator James A. Reed, after he had concluded a stirring appeal for the re-election of Woodrow Wilson because he had kept this country out of war. It was a remarkably enthusiastic meeting. Senator Reed said a change of officers meant a change of policies.

"Hughes is controlled by the Mailman of Oyster Bay," cried Mr. Reed. "He is the echo of Roosevelt, who clamors for war."

In speaking of the Gardner land bank bill, Senator Reed asked, "What does Judge Lamm know about that bill?" Someone in the audience shouted, "Not a thing."

This brought a great outburst of applause.

Shouts of "Go to it," and "Hurrah for the Oklahoma Congressman," continually interrupted former Congressman Claude Weaver, who spoke before Reed. Mr. Weaver compared the Republican party to a river which had its source in a pure mountain stream, only finally to become a sluggish, stagnant marsh. He said the Government was everyman's business and the officers were the people's "hired men." Speaker Champ Clark, who was chairman of the meeting, received a great ovation. McMillan High School band and the Cadet Band of the Missouri Military Academy furnished music.

Charles W. Fairbanks, Republican candidate for Vice-president, also spoke here the same afternoon. He, too, had a large audience.

A capacity house at night heard Gov. Elliott Major and Champ Clark speak on State and national issues. Persons from all parts of Audrain and adjoining counties attended the meetings.

Judge W. H. Wallace, of Kansas City, spoke Saturday night. He pleaded for the election of President Wilson and the state ticket and urged the adoption of the Third Amendment, providing for State-wide prohibition.

MR. MOORE DEAD

Richard J. Moore, who was struck by a vehicle on the street, died last week. The funeral was held at the Catholic Church Sunday afternoon, conducted by Father Joseph Casey. The pall bearers were: Jerry and John Dermody, Hugh Donnelly, T. F. Roden, Robert Hays and H. W. Brown. The following from out of town attended the funeral: Mrs. K. F. Fritsch and children, Miss Nellie Moore, Alfonso Moore, Mrs. T. E. Walsh, Mrs. Mary Moore, Mrs. Robert Donovan and son, of St. Louis; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fitzgerald, Moberly, Mo.; and Mrs. J. C. Hagan, Laddonia, Mo.; and Mrs. J. C. Bertels, Joe Bertels, Mrs. Mike Scannell, Martinsburg.

A. A. (Bud) Freels is in Mexico on his way to St. Louis for treatment for his hurts in the railroad accident near Francis on the morning of June 7th last. He has been in the Mexico Hospital twice on account of accidents. Lately he has been making his home with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ramey of near Laddonia. They have been exceedingly good to him, as also have Mexico people, and the railroad people also. Mr. Freels is very grateful for all attentions which have been shown him. He is a brother of J. J. Freels of Laddonia and is an uncle of Ote Freels also of that place. His home for a number of years has been at Carnegie, Okla. Mr. Freels has been in three railroad wrecks and an automobile wreck in his time.

C. C. McGee, of Chanute, Kansas, was here this week on a visit to relatives. Yesterday he paid the Message a pleasant call.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Guthrie visited in St. Louis this week.

At the State Convention of the W. C. T. U. held at Moberly last week, Mrs. S. P. Emmons, of Mexico, was elected delegate to the National W. C. T. U. Convention to be held at Indianapolis, Ind., next month. Mrs. J. H. Lane, of this city, was elected alternate.

SOCIAL SERVICE WORK.

The Federated Clubs have Worked Up a Great Wave of Interest—\$1,325 Is Subscribed.

The women of the Federated Clubs are hustlers indeed. They have received subscriptions for a social worker as follows:

County Court, \$200; Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., \$150; Christian Church, \$150; Presbyterian Church, \$100; Baptist Church, \$60; Jewish Community, \$35; The King's Daughters Tea, \$20; Elks Lodge, \$50; South Side children, \$10.45. Personal subscriptions, \$550.50; total \$1,325.95. In addition to this the McKinley Bakery has offered bread at any time the Committee wants it. The Crown Laundry offered to do laundry. The Southwestern Telephone and Telegraph Co. will install and give the use of a telephone for one year. The Needlework Guild has given 200 new garments and the King's Daughters are making two layettes.

KILLS 700 CHICKENS.

Fire broke out in the basement of The Audrain Produce Co.'s building, just back of L. R. Ferris' hardware store, Monday night. Over 700 chickens were suffocated, perhaps a thousand other dressed chickens, ready for market, were in the building and were damaged by fire and water. G. L. Ferris' washing machine factory was in the upper story of the building. This stock was also damaged. The total loss is partly covered by insurance.

Crisis for Nation's Toilers.

What the laborer didn't see under the Republican regime was that High Tariff does not regulate wages, but makes it possible for the manufacturer to so regulate prices that he can control labor. The farmer, with his characteristic self-reliance and naturally independent spirit, asked no favors. All he wanted was an equal chance with other business men. Wilson saw the farmers' interests in a big way.

The Rural Credits Act alone, of more than a dozen big things this Democratic Congress did for agriculture, gave greater direct benefits to the farmers than any legislation enacted since the creation of the Department of Agriculture a generation ago.

There came a time when the laborer saw that his labor was a commodity, a thing to be bought and sold, or restrained or enjoined by the unwarranted issuance of injunction writs in Federal courts; he saw that he did not have the right—guaranteed him by our constitution—of voluntary association for his own protection and welfare; in short, he saw that he was a wage slave! He saw that he was up against Capital—organized and entrenched behind the Powerful Pull of the Political Bosses of the Republican High Finance Gang, and Organized Capital fought to prevent the organization of labor!

What did Labor demand? Merely this: That Labor be made part of the national councils; that its patriotism be conceded; and that its knowledge of its own needs give it paramount voice in legislation directly and peculiarly affecting its own rights.

And what has been the spirit of this Democratic Administration? Let Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor tell:

"In my experience with United States Congresses during two score years I have not seen anything like the fine spirit toward labor, toward the rights and welfare of all the people, pervading all the branches of the Wilson Administration. This fundamental right spirit has guided the Wilson Administration to wise and righteous labor legislation."

In the age long struggle between Capital, which has always had permission to combine, and Labor, which was denied the right to combine, the greatest step toward the full enfranchisement of labor was recommended by a Democratic President and put into law by a Democratic Congress—the anti-injunction Amendment to the Clayton Law.

Farmers and Laborers of America—biggest of all Big Interests—the crest of the crisis has come. You—the big element in our national life and the real makers of our prosperity—you are to decide: Are we to continue a democracy or are we to go back to the Good Old Piffle of a specious administration which would buy your vote by dunning the man who has given you what you asked for—and gave it to you because it was right and proper and just!

Make no mistake. The issue of this campaign is as plain as the nose on your face. It is:

Big Interests vs. the biggest interests.

Invisible Government vs. True Democracy.

Big Words vs. Deeds. Promises vs. Accomplishments.

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FARM AND STOCK.

J. C. Dowell lost a valuable mule lately; kicked by a horse.

Wm. Dunlap made a shipment of goats to St. Louis this week.

W. W. Mundy sold a bunch of two year-old cattle to Otto Carpenter.

R. P. Elliott got a car of sheep from Omaha recently, paying \$9.60.

E. W. McFadden sold a load of wheat in Mexico this week at \$1.75 a bushel.

F. C. Berry on Youngs Creek sold W. W. Mundy a drove of 20 hogs @ 5 cents a pound.

The H. L. Davis home on East Monroe street was sold last week to Joe L. Burke for \$2,750.

Chal Blum had 500 feeding lambs and 100 ewes on the Omaha market paying \$8 per head for the ewes.

Pennwald Bros., of near Martinsburg, Monday, marketed four car loads of fat cattle that averaged 1510 pounds, that sold for \$11.15 per cwt., the top of the market.

Jas. H. Brown of Laddonia is advertising a public sale of 25 head of live stock in The Message for Tuesday, Nov. 14th. He also has a few fine Aberdeen Angus male cattle for sale. He urges that you come and see this stock. It is A1.

One hundred dollars around is what T. C. Henderson of Callaway received for three suckling calves that he sold to H. C. Taylor, of Boone, and he received the same price for a young bull he sold to Joseph Considine, near Thompson, a few days ago. Eight heifer calves that he sold to H. F. Price, of Ashland, also cost the owner \$100 apiece.

Mexico Poultry Association is making plans for the show that will be given here Nov. 14 to 18. The Association offers a grand sweepstake of \$20 which will be divided into four parts for the best pens in the show. The first premium will be \$8.00, the second \$5.00, the third \$3.00, and the fourth \$2.00. In addition to this grand sweepstake, the largest ever offered for their show, they will give four prizes of \$5.00 each for the best pens in four classes, American, Mediterranean, Asiatic and English.

Few now doubt the value of insurance if the cost can be kept low enough to keep it from being too great a burden. Of course, for every dollar's worth of property destroyed some one must pay. Insurance simply distributes this cost so that it doesn't fall so heavily on the man who happens to be unfortunate. The efficient company will give the greatest possible protection for the least possible cost in addition to the actual payment of loss. There are said to be farmers mutual companies in this country handling over a million dollars in risks at a cost of less than \$200 a year, excluding, of course, the losses paid. The typical farmer's company can do things of this kind because it pays no salaries or only a small salary to a secretary. Audrain county has a reliable company and farmers should remember it when wanting insurance.

QUINLAN'S SALE.

Live stock at James Quinlan's sale last week brought good prices. The following were among the sales:

Team of coming 2-year-old mules \$232.50, J. T. Johnson; one coming 2 year old mule, \$107.50, Earl Carter; coming two-year-old draft colt, \$75, Frank Mudd.

Short-horn Cattle—Cow and calf, \$145, H. C. Eubanks; cow and calf, \$100, H. C. Eubanks; cow and calf, \$97.50, H. C. Eubanks; one heifer, \$53, H. C. Eubanks; one cow, \$82.50, cow and calf, \$135, cow and calf \$135, cow and calf \$100, cow and calf \$110, cow and calf \$145, cow and calf \$115, one heifer \$85, heifer \$60, heifer \$58, heifer \$60, all to H. C. Eubanks. One young bull \$57.50, Earl Carter; 2-year-old bull \$92.50, Fe Hogan; "Scotch Knight" (herd bull) \$162.50, H. C. Eubanks. One load of 2-year-old steers, \$69 per head, Frank Weinand.

Miss Esther Kombrink is visiting at Hartsburg.

Mrs. Joseph Kirkland, of Hannibal, is the guest of her sisters here, Mrs. J. At. Brown and Mrs. E. H. Carter.

The small child of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Robinson, southeast of Mexico, is reported very ill of pneumonia.

Wallace Bassford, secretary of Speaker Champ Clark, is at his home here.

BENTON CITY LETTER.

The School Doing Things Right—Brent Erisman Digs Well and is "Prepared" for the Next Drouth.

Mrs. Maggie Romans and sister, Mrs. Wright, of Columbia, were guests of friends here Saturday and Sunday.

Among those who attended the Democratic Rally in Mexico Thursday were: C. C. Thompson, A. J. Douglass, A. F. Romans, Henry Weber, David Douglass, L. T. Bashaw and James Dowell.

Mrs. Melroy, of Arizona, is the guest of her sisters, Mesdames Nieman and Kelly.

Our Public School cleared \$19.00 from their pie social Saturday night. The teachers, Mr. Shay and Miss Moore, are hustlers and are doing things worth while in the interest of the school. They recently gave a supper and purchased an organ and will now get a new supply of library books and other equipment.

Mrs. Chas. Hildebrand visited in Wellsville several days last week.

Marion Hickerson and wife of Mexico were guests of Gens Holcolm and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ford and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. King of Mexico, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Finley Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Davis visited relatives in East St. Louis several days last week.

Brent Erisman has just finished digging a new well. Went down 50 feet and struck a fine vein of water. Brent says he'll be "prepared" for the next drouth.

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church will serve a chicken-pie dinner in Tratchel's Hall on election day Nov. 7th, during the afternoon and at night. Ice cream and oysters will be served also. Everyone is invited to attend.

His salary is fixed by the County Court. Said salary is paid out of the general revenue fund. The County Highway Engineer.

The County Court appoints him. If he doesn't make good they can remove him forthwith. The County Highway Engineer.

We are all interested in better roads. The County Highway Engineer should help us get 'em. Should more than earn his salary along that line.

J. D. Hoover, up near Thompson, was in to see The Message a few days ago. He thinks our linotype is a stem-winder, and then some.

1916 Crops Increase Western Farm Values.

WYOMING

WIDE AWAKE FARMERS ARE FAST SETTLING UP THE 320 ACRES FREE MONDELL LANDS, BUT THERE IS AN EXCELLENT SELECTION FOR YOU NEAR DOUGLASS ON THE BURLINGTON'S NEW CENTRAL WYOMING MAIN LINE.

Government Irrigated Land.

Watch for Autumn Announcement opening 12,000 acres Deaver Unit, Big Horn Basin, next to wonderful Government irrigated locality at Powell. Write me about it.

Nebraska and Colorado.

Bumper wheat crops and favorable live stock conditions are creating wide-spread demand for these deeded lands. If you or your sons desire good lands along the Burlington including the Big Horn Basin Government irrigated lands that are almost a gift, I urge you to get in touch with me at once, before the land-seekers' activity that is absolutely certain to respond to the 1916 crops on the cheap western lands, gets underway. S. B. Howard, Immigration Agent, Room 8, Q Bldg., Omaha, Neb.

Governors of Seventeen States Declare For State and National Prohibition

[From the National Enquirer.]

"Prohibition has been one of the greatest blessings ever bestowed upon this State. It will be the same in the Nation."—ARTHUR CAPPER, Governor of Kansas.

"I voted for the 'dry amendment' in 1914 and in 1915. As a member of Congress I voted for the submission of such an amendment to the States for ratification."—FRANCIS B. WILLIS, Governor of Ohio.

"I am very strongly in favor of State-wide prohibition. I believe an amendment to the Federal Constitution should be submitted to the States for ratification and hope to see it done soon."—N. E. HARRIS, Governor of Georgia.

"State-wide prohibition has been a great benefit to North Carolina morally, educationally and economically. It was adopted in this State by a large majority, and if voted on again the majority would be largely increased. It has worked a great transformation for good in many communities that were subject to lawlessness and improvidence caused by intoxicating liquor. North Carolina would gladly support an amendment to the Federal Constitution."—LOCKE CRAIG, Governor of North Carolina.

"I believe in State-wide prohibition; I believe an amendment to the Federal Constitution ought to be submitted to the States for ratification. I believe the Legislature of the State of Mississippi would ratify it."—EARL BREWER, Governor of Mississippi.

"I am in favor of the submission to the States for ratification of an amendment to the Federal Constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale for beverage purposes of alcoholic liquor, and I believe such an amendment would be ratified by the Legislature of New Hampshire."—ROLLAND H. SPAULDING, Governor of New Hampshire.

"With my approval and encouragement the Legislature of this State at the last session submitted an amendment to the Constitution providing for the complete prohibition of the liquor traffic; and I am fully confident that the people will adopt and approve that amendment."

"You are entirely right in your statement that the prohibition of the liquor traffic is becoming more absorbing in its interest and stronger in its grip upon the public mind with each passing day. This is true in South Dakota as elsewhere."

"I favor the submission of an amendment to the Federal Constitution prohibiting the traffic and believe the Legislature of South Dakota would ratify it."—FRANK M. BYRNE, Governor of South Dakota.

"I favor State prohibition and also

the submission for ratification of a section of an amendment to the Federal Constitution prohibiting the liquor traffic."—PARK TRAMMEL of Florida.

Governor Alexander of Idaho announces himself in favor of both State and National prohibition and adds, "I believe such an amendment would be ratified if presented to the Legislature of Idaho."

Governor John B. Kendrick of Wyoming declares himself unequivocally in favor of State-wide prohibition and for an amendment to the Federal Constitution and gives as his opinion that the Legislature of Wyoming would ratify it.

"In view of the higher standards of citizenship resulting from prohibition in those States where it has become actually effective, I am heartily in favor of seeing the issue so extended as to constitute a National problem. If, however, a prohibition amendment to the Federal Constitution should be proposed it should, in my opinion, be ratified not merely by the legislatures, but primarily by the people of all the States where such action would be legally permissible."—GEORGE W. P. HUNT, Governor of Arizona.

"I personally favor State-wide prohibition, and the voters of this State by a majority have decided in favor of it. * * * There has been some general discussion regarding National prohibition in the State, and I am inclined to think it would be decided with favor here."—GOVERNOR LESTER of Washington.

Governor Thomas C. Rye of Tennessee writes that he is in favor of both state and national prohibition and that if an amendment to the national constitution was submitted to the legislature of his state he believes they would ratify it.

Governor George E. Carlson of Colorado says he is in favor of both state and national prohibition and believes the legislature of his state would ratify a national amendment.

Governor L. R. Hanna of North Dakota declares his belief in state and national prohibition and thinks the legislature of his state would ratify a national amendment.

Another governor, who wishes his name withheld, writes:

"I have nothing to say on this subject for publication. For your personal information I will say I favor National prohibition, and of course believe that an amendment to the Federal Constitution covering this subject should be submitted to the States for ratification."

Still another governor says: "I am in favor of prohibition, whatever extent it can be efficiently enforced."

NEW SUITS FILED.

The following suits have been filed in the past few days with the Circuit Court for trial at the November term.

Mary G. Carr vs. Paris Carr, divorce.

Mary G. Carr vs. Paris Carr, suit in equity.

Edward Crooks vs. John Hagan, damages.

Geo. M. Dean vs. C. M. Clay, contract.

Henry D. Llewellyn vs. V. N. C. Bickley, on note.

Clark Tipton vs. Vinita Tipton, et al, suit in equity.

Ross Bishop vs. Missouri Business Men's Accident Association, on policy.

Carrington Callaway Coal Co., vs. E. W. Walker on account.

Mary Bradley vs. George W. Bradley, divorce.

John Fleming et al vs. John Cosgrove et al, partition.

J. W. Smith et al vs. Central Union Fire Insurance Co., on note.

Maddie Duty vs. Central West Construction Co., on contract.

Bird E. Crum vs. H. P. Averett, on note.

State of Missouri vs. Forrest Penn, assault to kill.

City of Mexico vs. Henry Johnson, taxes.

City of Mexico vs. Wm. Upham et al, taxes.

Frank H. Parker vs. V. E. B. Johnson et al, on contract.

W. Riley Bell vs. Nancy W. Woods, change of venue.

T. A. Powell vs. Avery Co., change of venue.

Flora Dowell, by next friend, vs. Wabash R. R. Co., damages.

Annie P. Keith vs. Reuben P. Keith, divorce.

Lem Wells vs. Harvey Tipton et al, note.

State ex rel vs. Alex Carter et al, certiorari.

F. C. Stampert vs. Frank Stampert, divorce.

John J. Grotty vs. Wm. F. Atkinson, appeal from Justice the Peace.

Curtis Lynn vs. Vivian Lynn, divorce.

Glenn Grimmitt vs. Jessie Grimmitt, divorce.

H. B. English, assignee, vs. The Germania Fire Ins. Co., on policy.

State ex rel C. T. Powell, Collector, vs. Louis S. Cox, taxes.

Ernie Vasher vs. John Samuel Vasher, divorce.

W. L. Bybee vs. Chicago & Alton Railroad, damages.

E. M. Crooks vs. the Chicago & Alton Railroad, damages.

J. H. Dillard vs. the Chicago & Burlington & Quincy Railroad, damages.

White F. Owen vs. Lonnie M. Owen, divorce.

Wm Williams vs. the Chicago & Alton Railroad, damages.

John H. Swisher et al vs. Meinhardt Sannbeck, on account.

Nichols & Shepard Co. vs. D. C. Bushnell et al, on account.

S. C. Groves, administrator of Isaac McKnight estate, vs. Mrs. Effie Dalby, on notes.

The Central committees of the political parties have arranged to have the election returns received in the circuit court room next Tuesday evening. Everybody is invited to come. A silver offering will be taken to defray the expense.

Rev. J. M. Hornback will begin a meeting at Olivet Methodist church Thursday evening, Nov. 2nd. He will be assisted in the services by Rev. S. W. Hayne, pastor of the Methodist church in this city.

Vote "Yes" for County Highway Engineer.